GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1234
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PRODUCTION IN HEAVY WATER PLANTS
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the production in heavy water plants is far behind the target;

(b) if so, the reasons thereof; (

(c) the details of the actual production; and installed capacity of the each plant during the last three years; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government in the regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN):
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(a) No. In fact, the target set for production of heavy water had actually been exceeded during each of the last three years.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Heavy Water being a strategic material, the figures of actual production are not disclosed.

The capacities of the operating Heavy Water Plants are given below :

Plant Capacity

Manuguru 185 MT
Kota 80 MT
Hazira 80 MT
Thal 78 MT
Tuticorin 49 MT

(d) Not applicable.